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DEN BOEF et al.

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DEVICE MANUFACTURED THEREBY

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Sir:

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An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.

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